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In re Application of :
Robert STEINHOFF, et al :
Application No. 09/498,677 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: February 7, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. TI-29599 :
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This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 12, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned as a result of petitioner's failure to file an appeal brief (and fee required by 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2)) within the time period provided in 37 CFR 41.37(a)(1). As an appeal brief (and appeal brief fee) was not filed within two (2) months of the Notice of Appeal filed November 9, 2007, a two (2) month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained, the appeal was dismissed and the proceedings as to the rejected claims were terminated. See 37 CFR 1.197(b). As no claim was allowed, the application became abandoned on November 12, 2007. See MPEP 1215.04.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of an Appeal Brief; (2) the petition fee of \$1540; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Diane Goodwyn at (571)272-6735.

This application is being referred to Technology Center 3663 for further processing in the normal course of business on the reply received May 12, 2008.



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Application No. 09/498,677
Petition to Revive dated May 12, 2008

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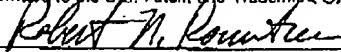
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For: BI-DIRECTIONAL ESD PROTECTION CIRCUIT

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED
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CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL

I hereby certify that the above correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 12, 2008.



Robert N. Rountree

Dear Sir:

The above-identified application went abandoned on or about May 10, 2008. Applicants' representative checked the file history of the case and determined that, even though Applicant had intended to file an Appeal Brief in response to the Office Action dated June 11, 2007, and subsequent Advisory Action dated November 23, 2007, no such Appeal Brief was submitted. Applicants now submit the Appeal Brief they intended to file on, or before, May 9, 2008 and this Petition to Revive.

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)(1), Applicants submit herewith the required Appeal Brief.

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Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)(3),<sup>1540.00 DA
FO:1452</sup> Applicants state that the entire delay from February 9, 2008 (last due date for submitting Applicants' Appeal Brief under 37 CFR §41.37, without EOT Fee) to May 12, 2008 (date of the present petition) was unintentional.

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Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)(2), please charge the \$1,540.00 ✓
petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m) to Deposit Account No. 20-0668.

Respectfully submitted,



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